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Lane, Ramp, and Connector Closure on Harbor Freeway (I-110) for Targeted Maintenance

DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES – To spruce up and overhaul the historic Harbor Freeway (I-110) in Downtown Los Angeles the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will deploy hundreds of Department personnel and community service workers into closed portions of the southbound I-110/Hollywood Freeway (US 101) interchange between 3rd Street and Wilshire Boulevard for targeted maintenance on Sunday, November 4, from 6 a.m. to 12 p.m. Delays are expected, but signed detours will be in place. Closures will be adjusted or opened if there are significant delays or backups.

The following lanes, connectors, and ramps will be closed:

Lanes:

One lane of southbound I-110 will be closed between 3rd Street and Wilshire Boulevard will be closed from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m.

Connectors:

Northbound US 101 to southbound I-110 will be closed from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. Southbound US 101 to southbound I-110 will be closed from 6 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Ramps:

3rd Street on- and off-ramp for southbound I-110 will be closed from 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. 4th Street off-ramp from southbound I-110 will be closed 6 a.m. to 12 p.m.

"Cutbacks to our resources and personnel have made it difficult for our crews to schedule and perform all of the maintenance tasks that this interchange needed," said Acting District 7 Director Terry Abbott. "This all hands on deck and cost-effective approach that will bring hundreds of Caltrans crews and community service workers into one area, just as we did during the closure of I-405 in the Sepulveda Pass last year and this year."

To improve safety, road crews will restripe the roadway, replace lighting and signs, and enhance and repair guardrail.

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To improve the aesthetics, landscape crews supported by community service workers will remove trash, litter, weeds, and graffiti, and repair irrigation, clean drains, mulch, and install new plants.

Department bridge engineers will also conduct routine inspection of the four level interchange.

"Our crews only have two hours to work within the interchange to prevent back-ups," said Abbott. "This closure will allow our crews the opportunity to make significant gains to improve this portion of the downtown corridor."

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